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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

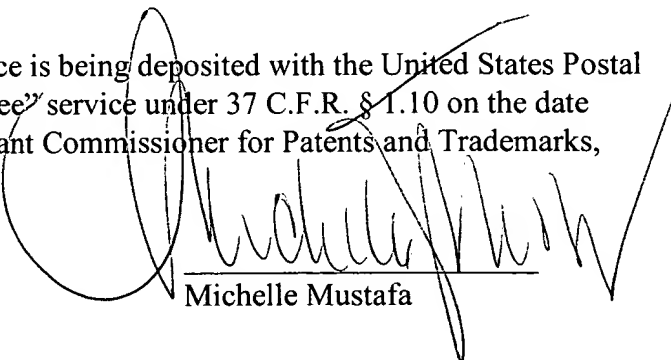
1. Japanese Laid Open Publication No. 7-307293 dated November 21, 1995 with English language abstract.

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2. Japanese Laid Open Publication No. 9-45769 dated February 14, 1997 with English language abstract.

3. Japanese Laid Open Publication No. 9-139428 dated May 27, 1997 with English language abstract.

4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. H10-056009, dated February 24, 1998;

5. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. H10-022389, dated January 23, 1998;

6. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. H02-077127, dated March 16, 1990;

7. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. H9-266207, dated October 7, 1997;

8. U.S. Patent No. 5,106,770 to Bulat, et al. dated April 21, 1992.

9. U.S. Patent No. 5,888,905 to Taylor, et al. dated March 30, 1999.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the above-listed references are not provided, as references 1-7 were previously submitted to the Examiner in connection with the parent case, Serial Number: 9/275,532 filed March 24, 1999. References 8 & 9 were cited by the Examiner in an Office Action dated October 4, 2000.

Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested, since the art provided may be material to the examination of the present application as filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R §1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,



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